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SUBJECT: NEW ZEALAND WILL NOT ATTEND APEC SEMINAR ON
PANDEMIC EXERCISES

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¶1. (SBU) On July 10, Poloff delivered reftel invitation to Llewellyn Roberts, Pandemic Planning Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT), and on July 19 to MFAT representatives with the Americas Division and the United Nations, Human Rights and Commonwealth Division, which is the division responsible for issues related to multilateral fora.

On July 19, Poloff also delivered the invitation to Dr. Andrea Forde, Senior Public Health Advisor, Ministry of Health (MOH) and to Marlene Castle, Scientific Analyst, External Assessments Bureau, Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC).

¶2. (U) On July 27, Jo Horrocks; Project Manager; National Emergency Planning, Risk and Assurance; Ministry of Health responded that GNZ will not be sending anyone to attend the APEC Seminar because of time and budget constraints.

¶3. (SBU) MOH will represent GNZ at Australia's Exercise Cumpston in October, Horrocks said.
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